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Barnard is Baxter Lecturer

Second semester finds enrollment of 1900 students

(Pictures on page four.)

Approximately 1900 students had registered for the second semester day classes at the University of Omaha by noon Saturday as compared with 1112 students of a year ago. This is a slight increase over the first semester enrollment. Registrar Alice Smith also announced that more than 900 students had enrolled in evening classes as compared with a figure of 534 a year ago. This makes a combined total enrollment to date for the second semester of 2816. Of the 1900 day students this semester, more than 1100 are veterans. A year ago only 444 veterans were back at the university.

Registrations for evening classes will continue through Thursday evening this week. Evening school classes started yesterday.

New band director at uni

Pocketing a newly acquired M. A. degree of music from Southern Methodist University of Dallas, Texas, V. J. Kennedy comes to Omaha University to become a full faculty member of the music staff. He will become the new director of the band which meets Fridays at 4 p. m.

To choose senior member of Council at Feb. 19 election

Election of the new senior member of the Student Council will be held Feb. 19 from 9 a. m. to 2 p. m. in Room 100. This was decided at the weekly meeting of the Student Council Jan. 28.

George Reinhart was chosen to replace Christy Kara who is graduating. He will hold the post until after the election.

Nominee's petitions are now available in the Dean of Students office. They must be returned there before 5 p. m. Feb. 10.

The election committee consists of: Eleanor Steinman, chairman; Virginia Haun, Harry Elsasser and Dave Elmore.

As a result of many complaints about crowding in the Pow Wow Inn, Council Member Marjory Mahoney has been directed to see Building Superintendent Adwers about getting more chairs for the establishment.

Arrangements for painting a sign for the Pow Wow Inn have been left to Council Member Harry Elsasser.

The council also discussed plans for a Spring Dance Mar. 28. Jo Sorenson was named chairman of the dance committee.

No entrants for beauty contest

Omaha University's beauty contest got feebly under way last week.

At this writing not one entrant has been recorded on the books. Petitions in last week's Gateway were evidently overlooked by the modest charmers hereabouts.

The contest is being sponsored by the Tomahawk. Spokesman Jo Sorenson said that judges have already been invited to officiate. Their names will be published upon their formal acceptance.

Preliminary eliminations will be held in the university Auditorium Feb. 18 and 19.

Contestants will be judged on natural beauty, poise, carriage, and neatness of dress.

Entry blanks are printed again this week on Page 6. They are to be filled out and placed in the Student Council Suggestion Box in the Bookstore before Feb. 10.

VA gives million texts

The Library of Congress has virtually completed the distribution to veterans in colleges and universities of a million surplus textbooks obtained by Veterans Administration from the Army and Navy special training programs.

'Social Consequences of Atomic Fission' topic of former USO chief, April 9, 10

Atom expert seventh in the annual lecture series

National Bureau of Economic Research.

President of USO

He served as president of the United Service Organization from 1942 to 1945, the period of its greatest development.

He holds honorary degrees from Rutgers University in science, and from the University of Newark and Brown University in law.

His hobby is music. He is a member of the Bach Society of New Jersey and the Newark Art Theatre, both of which he helped to found.

The former USO official was awarded the navy's Meritorious Civilian Service Award in recognition of his outstanding work as senior civilian member of the Third Naval District Navy Manpower Survey Committee.

Origin of lectures

The Baxter Memorial lectures were started in 1941 in memory of the late William F. Baxter, Omaha businessman. The fund provides for free annual lectures each year on economics, political science and sociology.

The first Baxter speaker was Andre Maurois in 1941, who spoke on "The Strength and Weaknesses of Democracy." In 1942 the speaker was the Hon. Thurman Arnold, whose subject was "Free Enterprise During the War and After." Beardsley Ruml spoke on "Looking Ahead in Business" in 1943.

In 1944 Owen Latimore gave his views on Japanese relations with Asia and America. Dr. Sumner H. Slichter spoke in 1945 on the national economy and the job outlook. Last year Dr. Allen Nevins gave his views on the nation's diplomacy.

Sullenger to head Sociology Society

Dr. T. Earl Sullenger, chairman of the department of sociology at the University of Omaha has been made president of the Midwestern Sociological Society. Dr. Sullenger, who has been first vice-president of the organization, assumed the presidency with the resignation recently of Dr. Howard Brecker who has joined the American occupation administration in Germany. This society is composed of sociologists in 11 midwestern states.

Robert Hosman is in European Theater

Pfc. Robert M. Hosman, son of Everett M. Hosman, director of the School of Adult Education, is serving in the European Theater. He is assigned to the Special Services Entertainment Center in Assmannshausen, Germany, where soldier shows are rehearsed before setting out on tour.

Pfc. Hosman is a former student of the university. He is now touring as the advance man for the soldier show, "My Sister Eileen."

The boy stood on the burning deck with his sister Molly. The deck felt hot to the boy and also hot tamale.



Omaha University musicians in the Omaha Symphony Orchestra are (standing left to right): Keith Eck, violin; Robert Benecke, viola; Jack Feierman, trumpet and James Wilson, French horn. Seated left to right are: Alan Bramson, clarinet; Virginia Larsen and Helen Tiahrt, violin and James Calhoun, tuba. Not pictured are Martha Downs, John Lueth, Red Travis and Hale Rood.

—Photo by F. Alec Phillips.

Uni. students in new Symphony Orchestra

Omaha's new Symphony Orchestra will hold its first full-orchestra rehearsal Sunday morning, Feb. 2.

Twelve students and faculty members play in the orchestra, which is under the direction of Richard Duncan, director of orchestra and choir and instructor in music at Omaha University.

Hale Rood, a student and KOIL staff musician, plays trombone; Red Travis, formerly with Clyde Lucas, and Jack Feierman—trumpet; John Leuth and Russ Wilson—French horn; Virginia Larsen,

Helen Tiahrt, Martha Downs and Keith Eck—violin; James Calhoun—tuba; Alan Bramson—clarinet and Robert Benecke, professor in the engineering department—viola.

On Monday of last week the orchestra held a string rehearsal and on Wednesday a rehearsal of the wood-winds and French horns.

Three concerts will be held at the Joslyn Memorial Auditorium, Feb. 10 and 11; March 10 and 11 and April 7 and 8.

Featured as guest artist in the

first concert will be Sidney Foster, well known young pianist, who will play Chopin's Piano Concerto.

The program for the first concert will include:

"Overture to the Merry Wives of Windsor"—by Nicolai.

"Piano Concerto in E Minor from Op. 11"—by Chopin.

"Danse Macabre"—by Saint-Saens.

"Five Miniatures"—by Paul White.

"Finlandia"—by Sibelius.

"Polka from Schwanda"—by Weinberger.

Teacher Tyson finds time for outside talks

One faculty member who doesn't think that a full teaching schedule is enough to keep him busy is J. D. Tyson, instructor in English at the university.

Aside from the aforementioned teaching schedule, he has taken on the responsibility of delivering eight speeches to different organizations in and around Omaha.

With topics varying from war experiences to international affairs, the speeches cover the period from Jan. 8 to March 12. "After which," says Mr. Tyson, "I expect to settle down and do a bit of serious teaching."

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Tar the Feathers?

'An organization cannot achieve its goal without collective action on the part of all its members.'

Omaha University has a pep organization—the Feathers—although their failure to be represented at last Wednesday's basketball game would give evidence to the contrary. Such a group can perform a worthy service to a university by maintaining a strong cheering section at athletic activities. This is one of their main functions.

In the past the Feathers have contributed a great deal of time and effort toward support of activities, such as their recent aid in the Infantile Paralysis Drive, for which they deserve commendation. But in order to cause school spirit to forge ahead, it is necessary to make the most of every opportunity.

A luke-warm pep organization is worse than none at all.

Card playing or eating?

Several weeks ago the Gateway published an editorial citing the need for action regarding card playing during the noon hours in the Pow-wow Inn.

Many still continue to play cards while students stand to eat their lunches. This disgusting situation certainly shows lack of thinking and consideration on the part of students. The fact that card playing is permissible is the result of a liberal thinking university administration, and the continued abuse of this privilege will doubtless lead to restrictive action.

The Gateway suggests that all card playing be stopped during the hours from 11 a. m. to 1 p. m. when students wish to enjoy their lunch "sitting down."

Four-O . . .

Omaha University will return to intercollegiate football competition next fall after a three-year war lapse.

During those years this university, as well as many other schools, abandoned football. This activity was not revived in the fall of 1946 because of the time element and difficulty in obtaining a schedule. Instead the groundwork was laid for the 1947 season by holding scrimmages and looking over prospective player material.

Many student gripes were voiced at the beginning of the 1946 school year because there was not going to be a team, but now all can look forward with anticipation to a great new start in O. U. football history.

Political scenery

By Gordon Watters
and Richard Holland
By Richard Holland and
Gordon Watters

It would be less than polite not to acknowledge the "pecker-wooding" we received in the last edition of this paper by one of the bigger jaybirds. Apparently we have "arrived."

With a nod in the direction of the birds on the Sports Department perch, we would like to have a few words on a subject that may properly belong in their domain. College football uses a word "proselytizing" to describe the art of looking like amateurs and being professionals. Great has been the hue and cry raised over the "recent" discovery that footballers are receiving yearly stipends for their seasonal efforts. However recent the protesting, it is probably true that football's amateur standing disappeared about the time fans were asked to pay in order to "see the boys play."

The real difference from this seat seems only to be that the market price of 200-pound, 10-second men has gone up along with the rest of the post-war inflationary goods. It does jerk one upright to hear of a Shorty McWilliams drawing 10 thousand, but actually, after taxes and allowing 50 percent inflation, you

can see the pay is about the same as pre-war.

At recent midwinter coaching sessions, tongues were thrust well into cheeks, after which noble, high principled statements spewed forth to the effect that rules and policing would have to be undertaken, if the game was to be preserved "for the boys."

The press, long a demon for making mountains out of the same old mountains when it comes to sports, caught on in full cry. Probably the only new twist to be added is placing the blame for this hypocritical condition on the shoulders of the college president. It is now in vogue to accuse these gentlemen of wearing overly tight halos.

The argument offered is that the men who run institutions of higher learning have neglected to watch athletic affairs or have looked the other way. But somehow it is hard to imagine a lucrative project such as football being overlooked, especially in schools where the game pays off the bonds on the rest of the plant, although some contend that football profits pay for nothing but more football and athletic plant expansion. Perhaps the trouble is that we don't know our prexies as we should.

Whatever the arguments, pro and con, it seems clear that the worst abuse is not in the paying to play itself, but in the OSS

RANDOM REMARKS

We were glad to get our Gateway orders for something to replace "Our Favorite Columns" this week because now we don't have to make fun of anyone unless we want to. In fact, as we understand it, we can do almost anything we choose—even to using prepositions to end some of our sentences with. This is just fine with us. We're still hearing from the Republicans about the times we made fun of them and the Democrats seem to think that, with the bad election and Bilbo and all, they are having enough trouble without any caustic remarks from us. From now on we're going to be as neutral as a progressive Republican.

While pawing through the pages of one of Omaha's leading newspapers, the name of which we're not at liberty to mention, we were mildly inspired by a neat, well punctuated paragraph which appeared in a letters-to-the-editor column. Signed by a George somebody or other, the terse message wanted to know, "What makes a life tick?"

Well! We had never stopped to realize that a life ticks at all and now here was someone wanting to know what makes one tick. Neither the Encyclopedia Britannica, Clifton Fadiman, nor the faculty could come up with an answer.

Don't think that we've given up, however. We still bend an inquiring, tick-sensitive ear in the direction of each life that passes.

Overheard philosophical comment: "Aw, Aristotle was just a reactionary Greek." Just a Democrat from southern Greece, probably.

You 350 new students might think that the line situation is a pretty tough proposition. But, as you no doubt have been told by now, it's a breeze compared to last semester. To clinch with a cliche, you should have been here when it was rough.

We hear that there's a movement afoot to establish intravenous feeding facilities in the Cafeteria. Too many ten-minute lunch periods, it seems. The plan calls for a small shot of liquid Salisbury Steak to sell for a quarter, with a 10-cent deposit on the hypodermic needle. We want to be one of the first to endorse such an improvement. The plan has unlimited possibilities, not only for those with short lunch periods, but for busy faculty members such as Messrs. Crane and Daugherty and for busy bridge addicts such as Milos Forman.

Table Tennis Laugh of the week!
We happened to be standing nearby when a mild-mannered, tennis-loving student walked up to one of the tables and asked the players, "Does anyone have the winner?"

"No," said one of them matter-of-factly, "but we don't want to give up the table."

Get him!

If you have anything you'd like to see discussed in this column, let us know by dropping in at the office or by sending us a letter. You can send the letter by courier or you can just tie a rock to it and drop it into the box.

Small rocks only, please.

secrecy which surrounds alumni-university-player relations. It is about time that outright recognition is given to time spent in practice and in playing. It is sweetness and light to talk of emphasis as the solution to the problem, but it is equally valid to consider whether the average tax-supported school with its various problems of adequate revenue will even harbor the thought.

A final note is the primary assumption that universities will continue to place education in the forefront as their principal reason for existence.

Discussions

By Alan Bramson

Modern jazz lost one of its youngest and most promising trumpeters this month. He was Saul "Sonny" Berman. Most people probably will not recognize his name, but few will forget his beautiful improvising with the also deceased Woody Herman band. His passing, by a heart attack, is more than tragic, not only because of his youth—21—but also because he was just beginning to gain fame. His first name-band job was with Louis Prima in 1940. After that and until he joined Herman in 1944, Sonny worked with Sonny Dunham, Tommy Dorsey, Boyd Raeburn, Georgie Auld and Harry James. His latest recorded solo is on Columbia's "Uncle Remus." Ironically, Sonny gave as his reason for taking up the trumpet the fact that his brother, who was also a fine trumpeter, died young and "I just had to play trumpet."

It is rumored that Columbia

records had another shake up in their artist list with the signing of Benny Goodman to a Capitol contract. Columbia recently lost Count Basie to Victor (the Count's "Open the Door, Richard" is already in the Victor racks). The CBS subsidiary is also having trouble with Herman and James, since neither leader has a band at present, but it did manage to get the Metronome All-Star disc in their catalog. On one side Frank Sinatra sings Sy Oliver's arrangement of "Sweet Lorraine," backed by a combo made up of the '46 contest winners. The combo does a blues number on the flip-over with June Christy and "King" Cole during a vocal.

Victor is planning to keep the public interested in Tommy Dorsey, despite the fact that he has no band now, by re-issuing the Sentimental Gentleman's old platters. His Master's Voice is also concentrating on small combos. The Page Cavanaugh trio and Mary Lou Williams ("Waltz Boogie") have both signed.

Stan Kenton is returning to his beloved west coast with a new Capitol policy in mind. His band will record two discs a month—one aimed at the juke box trade, the other aimed at a higher jazz goal. Capitol will soon release a Jerome Kern album with eight sides and nine artists including Peggy Lee and Johnny Mercer.

Woody Herman, bandless, is trying to be the first ex-band leader producer in Hollywood. He wants to make just one picture featuring a band as a band without ten other hams playing flugel-horns and a hundred slick chicks doing the Charleston on top of the Empire State building. More power to him!

Speaking of movies, many of those who heard Charlie Barnet's band in a recent Puppetoon will be glad to know that two more are soon to be completed. They will feature the old Herman Herd and the Duke's ensemble.

Eddy Haddad's local band is slated to furnish the music for the Theta Phi Delta dance at Peony Park on Feb. 7. Five Omaha University students are currently playing in the Haddad outfit.

Strictly from students

Do you think it wise to increase veterans subsistence?

Virgil Anderson: "Absolutely! I run short on what they give me now."

Donald Miller: "Yes, because most of the fellows are unable to get along on \$65. You can't work and study at the same time."

Perry Peterson: "Naturally! Ninety dollars doesn't go far for food and rent."

Henry Campbell: (Non-veteran) "Yes, too small for cost of living."

Orpha Nelson: (Army nurse for five years) "We all like money. If the veterans did not have to work they could take more subjects and finish quicker. In the long run it would save the government money."

Albert Harper: "I am heartily in favor of a raise, especially for the married ones."

Kingsley Smith: (Non-veteran) "Yes, the more the better."

Franklin Peach: "I don't receive it any more. I dropped it and went to work. You just can't get by on \$65 a month."

Paul O'Donnell: (Non-veteran) "Yes, I think they deserve it."

Roy R. Hamilton: (Non-veteran) "The subsistence now paid doesn't allow him to spend enough on extras which make life worth while."

Gilbert Andersen: "It would be better for the veterans, but not for the government."

A. J. Saitta: "With prices as they are a person can't possibly meet expenses."

Al Tirro: "Yes, by all means."

Joe Baker: "I believe that there should be three categories: (a) Single vets, (b) Married vets, (c) Married vets with children, and they should be paid accordingly."

Ray Buresh: "Yes, when you go

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Paul T. Crossman
—Photo by F. Alec Phillips.

at Baker Ice Machine Company.

During the war Mr. Crossman was on the Industry Advisory Committee and, as he puts it, "was hopping back and forth from Washington all the time."

He's sponsor of Theta Phi Delta fraternity at Omaha University and is a member of Alpha Tau Omega fraternity.

He belongs to the National Association of Cost Accountants and is a charter member of the Nebraska Council of Accountants.

Mr. Crossman received his B.S. degree from Omaha University. He's married and has a 15-year-old daughter, Nancy, a Benson High School student, who is purported to be an avid Gateway fan.

We were naturally curious about a man who would give up a lucrative business position to teach school. Upon asking him why he had, he answered simply, "I like young people and like to instruct them."



Crowds and smoke were back to normal in the Inn last Wednesday as classes resumed.

—Photo by F. Alec Phillips.



Last Wednesday's Bookstore mob paused long enough in its pushing and crowding to grin at the cameraman on his swaying ladder.

—Photo by F. Alec Phillips.

Column replaces colum

Because our satirizer has run out of columns to satirize, "Our Favorite Colums" has been discontinued this semester. It will be replaced by a difficult-to-describe column of no special topic written by the writer who did "Colums" last semester.

The new column will be called "Random Remarks" and will consist of small talk about big things and big talk about small things. The first installment appears in this issue.

The author of the column, in trying to satisfy part of the demand for a gossip column, will be glad to hear of any local happenings of general interest for inclusion in the column. The news must be of general interest, however. That is, interesting not only to those who know the people involved, but to someone who merely reads about it.

Newsbreaks should be submitted to the Gateway feature editor in written form. They must be signed although names will not be printed.

Interest, not importance, will be the deciding factor.

A famous professor said, "What if the atom bomb does blow up the world. The earth is not a major planet."

John Ise eyes "inevitable depression"

By Bob Gerling

Should you hoard your money and promote a buyer's strike, you may be guilty of hastening the "inevitable depression."

This is, in substance, the contention of John Ise, professor of economics at the University of Kansas and author of the economics text used at Omaha University.

"This nation is definitely headed for a depression," he stated, but he won't go any farther with his predictions.

Professor Ise continues his gloomy prognostication by saying that the coming depression may be a sort of mixture; with some trades like construction and automobile-making going full tilt and others in a steep nose-dive. The poor farmer will undoubtedly be hit, Ise thinks, but may lose his prosperity over a period of years and not in one tremendous drop.

The severity of this coming depression will depend largely on the actions of the government, he believes. If Professor Ise is correct, the Republicans will be the scape-goats for another '29.

Furthermore, he adds, if we think a depression is coming, then due to the intricate processes of

the mind—it will come all the faster.

However, we may prolong the present era of economic stability by loosening our purse strings and buying that new car and building that new garage and home, and, perhaps, even buying the little woman a new fur coat. That is, if you haven't spent all your savings merely buying food and paying the rent.

Bowling league to have college teams

The Music Box is beginning an afternoon bowling league for university students. Mr. Jack Downs of the Music Box is handling arrangements for the circuit.

Mr. Downs said that the league will probably bowl on Tuesday or Wednesday at either 1:30 or 2 p. m. The dates to be definitely settled later.

He added that he would like to have 12 teams from Omaha University, each consisting of five men. Students interested in forming a team to enter the league should contact Mr. Downs at the Music Box Bowling Lanes.

All-school mixer at Peony, Feb. 21

First all-school social event of this semester will be an informal dance—The Redskin Romp—sponsored by the Student Council. Morton Wells and his orchestra will play for the dance at Peony Park, Friday, Feb. 21. Bill Beebe, chairman of the Student Council planning committee, said "the Romp replaces the usual Freshman Mixer."

Admission for a couple is by two activities cards or one card and a 60-cent ticket purchased at the door or at the University business office. All faculty members are invited.

Other council members on the committee are Marjory Mahoney, Jo Sorenson and Eileen Wolfe.

Church ushering course offered

Church ushers have their problems, too.

In fact, sometimes those problems become so perplexing that the inexperienced usher finds himself hopelessly confused.

The University of Omaha is going to attempt to solve the problem of inexperienced ushers by instituting a short course for church ushers in the School of Adult Education.

The course, which is sponsored by the Omaha Church Ushers Association, will begin Feb. 4. The class will meet in the University Club Room at 7:30 p. m. for five Tuesday evenings.

Mr. George Steinheimer will be the instructor. Enrollments in the correspondence course have been received from practically every state in the Union and from several foreign countries.

Discussions will present not only some of the problems inherent in this type of work, but also suggested solutions to these problems. Attention will be given to the importance of ushering in handling crowds, special consideration due visitors to the church, end-pew sitters and other perplexing situations.

"Scholar Sketch" is new Gateway feature

A new feature called "Scholar Sketch" makes its debut in this issue of the Gateway. Styled along the lines of "Prof-files," the new column will feature an outstanding O. U. student each week.

The Gateway will print only one "Prof-file" each week hereafter.

Suggested nominees for "Scholar Sketch" may be turned in at the Gateway office. Choice will be made on the basis of interest to the reader. What makes interest? Odd hobbies or lots of them, extra-curricular activities, outstanding achievement, etc. If you have someone in mind who you think will make an interesting story, let us know.

Intramural boxing and wrestling Feb. 12, 14

The intramural boxing and wrestling tournaments will be held Feb. 12 and 14, Don Pflasterer, director, announced.

Preliminaries for both tournaments will be Wednesday, the 12th. Finals will be held off to the following Friday.

Pflasterer said a 20 by 20 wrestling mat has been purchased by the university.

Two games were played and a like number forfeited in the intramural basketball tourney last week. On Wednesday, Central nudged Outstate, 17-15 and North won on a default from Thetas.

South ran its winning string to four by dumping Benson, 21-16 Friday. Tech defaulted to Phi Sigs the same day. North is crowding South for the leadership with a record of 3 and 0.

Two in a canoe is not new.

Kirksville . . .

(Continued from Page Three) 6'5", didn't give the Omahans nearly as much trouble as the smaller fellows who stood far out swishing one-handers one after another. Gallatin and Whalen made only one field goal apiece.

Mark Fox made all five of his shots, three from the field and two from the free throw line, for eight points. Cliff Bryan also tallied eight. Ray Schmidt scored seven for the Indians.

For a period of ten and a half minutes in the first half, just after the Indians fine start, Omaha went without a field goal. With 16½ minutes left in the first half, Rog Sorenson sank his third basket for a 6-3 Omaha lead.

The next Omaha point was Mike Landman's free throw, which pulled the Indians into a 7-9 deficit. Then Semanek, Dodd, Whalen and Ralph Pink connected for a 22-7 lead with ten minutes left. Before the time clock had made another full turn, Ray Schmidt hit a free throw.

Then the two big centers, Gallatin and Whalen, went to work for three points before Schmidt finally connected on the fourth Omaha basket of the game. It came with six minutes left in the half.

After intermission the game got rougher as it went along. Only 30 fouls were called. A good deal more were "overlooked."

Wayne Akert, after missing the first half of the season because of a war-contacted disease, saw action for the first time for Omaha.

Omaha (36) f.g. f.t. p.f.
Eckstrom f 1 1-2 1
Landman f 0 2-4 2
Lohaus f-c 0 0-0 0
Easterhouse f 0 0-0 0
Sadil f-g 1 1-2 4
Matejka f 1 0-0 1
Schmidt c 3 1-2 3
Clure g 0 0-0 1
Sorenson g 6 3-4 1
Akert g 1 0-0 0
Freeman g-f 1 0-0 1

Totals 14 8-14 17

Kirksville (74) f.g. f.t. p.f.
Lewis f 3 0-0 0
Dodd f 3 0-0 1
Erzen f 1 0 0
Shearer f 0 2-0 0
Fox f 3 2-2 1
Gallatin c 1 3-4 3
Whalen c-f 1 3-5 3
Bryan c 3 2-3 1
Pink g 3 1-3 0
Semanek g 5 0-0 0
Dant g 2 1-1 1
Biesmeyer g 1 0-1 3
King g 5 0-4 0

Totals 31 12-23 13
Score at half—Kirksville 34, Omaha 15.

Good Light makes Studies Easier



When you work or study under glaring or insufficient light, so much of your energy is wasted in trying to see, that studies come hard. Good light—enough light, without shadow or glare—lets you concentrate your full attention on your work, without straining priceless eyes. For every seeing task, be sure you have proper light. If you are in doubt about your lighting, ask your family to consult our Home Lighting Department.

OMAHA PUBLIC
POWER DISTRICT

tapping the wires . . .

With this issue, we christen a new column which will take the place of the former columns Alter-bound, Alter-ations, Sorority Soirees and Social Notes . . . Now that class schedules are shaping up into something more than a mad dash from the Inn at 3 minutes 'till . . . Let's take up a few vital statistics . . .

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NOT AN APRIL SHOWER

but an April wedding is planned by former student Mary Jean Robinson and her fiance Niles E. Davis. For those of you whose memories are failing, Mary Jean was a Sig Chi in '44 . . .

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DURING VACATION

the marriage of Alpha Sig, Ralph Jenkins and Dolores Griggs took place. The couple was married Sunday, Jan. 26. Best man Phil Gleason and ushers Loren Grisinger, Wentworth Clark and Bill Beebe are frat brothers of Ralph's. Arnold Steffen also ushered.

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WITH CHRISTMAS BILLS

a thing of the past . . . we hope . . . parties and dances are filling up the current calendar month. First to break the ice this month are the Thetas with a dance at Peony Friday. On the following Friday is the Kappa sorority dance at the American Legion El Chico room . . . We'll have more on the Kappa dance next week . . . Phi Deltas are also planning an all-Greek affair the last of this month.

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STRICTLY FOR WOMEN

will be the style show planned by the Intersorority Council to be

held March 27. Plans are still in the formative stages but a few details are available for printing at this time. Dotty Blore has volunteered to train the models from all of the sororities. In charge of various committees are: Gail Pheney, music; LaVon Hansen, food; Vivien Smith, room arrangement and Barbara Dustin, decorations.

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IF PLEDGES SEEM

more attentive to their elders, it may well be the coming informal initiations. Exact dates, of course, depend on the presentation of eligibility lists but tentative dates have been set for this month by Phi Deltas, Pi O's, Gamma's and Theta's.

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YOU DON'T SUPPOSE

the absence of entry blanks for the beauty contest could be due to bashfulness, do you? Seems a shame to let the pulchritude of the school go unheeded when such opportunities are offered. Come on, find out that sharp chick's name, fellas, and turn it in. It may be the turning point in some girl's career.

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MODERN DANCE CLASS

has now taken on the appearance of a rainbow. Long-awaited leotards arrived last week in shades of red, blue and green. Commenting on the usefulness of the costumes, one girl was heard to say, "I'm going to use mine for a swim suit, this summer." Another said her costume would solve the sleeping problem for hot summer nights.

Keep a light in the window, mother, I'm guarding that Bookstore tonight

By Sam Cohen

"I just love herdin' cattle," is Don Mucka's favorite song these days.

Don's the boy with the red hair, pleasant smile and strong arm who handled the storming masses at the Bookstore entrance during the opening days of the second semester.

It was Don who for four hectic days withstood the siege of threats, curses, bribes, pleadings, pushing, tricks, and all other means that only 1,900 Omaha University students can devise for

\$1,500 first prize in College Essay Contest

Those dollar-sign brainstorms occasionally suffered by econ majors and other financial whiz kids might be profitably peddled through a new essay contest which has \$1,500 as first prize.

An annual College Essay Contest has recently been announced by the Tamiment Social and Economic Institute of New York.

Cash prizes amounting to \$3,000—including the \$1,500 first prize—will be awarded to the five undergraduate college students submitting the best essays on the theme, "Roads to Industrial Peace."

Rules of the contest:

1. All undergraduate college students are eligible. A contestant may submit but one essay.

2. The length of the essay should be between 5,000-8,000 words.

3. No manuscript will be accepted unless typed, double-spaced on one side of the sheet.

4. The contest closes April 25, 1947.

5. Send manuscript to Tamiment Institute Contest, 7 East 15 Street, New York 3, New York. On a separate sheet of paper clipped to the essay, the author should type full name, college and home addresses, telephone number and name of college. Manuscripts must be original, unpublished works.

6. Winners will be announced and prizes awarded in June, 1947.

getting into the Bookstore.

It was Don who found he had 1,900 friends—friends who referred to him as Richard and kept insisting that he open the door.

And it was Don who said, "No!", so many times that people accused him of playing hard to get. He was called everything in the book; a book which does not happen to be in the Bookstore or in the Library either.

Ben Koenig, the boss of the friendly proprietors behind the supply counter, commented that the red-headed lad handled the mob so well that he deserves the highest honor the Bookstore has to offer, the Croix de fillerpaper.

But the able Bookstore door man has grown older this last week. His eyes have a strange new gleam in them. He is thinking, he explained, of a new type book room—one with an infiltration course at the entrance.

We asked Don to explain further, but he shook his head sadly and murmured, "You gotta have a number."

New sponsors to guide Senior Class

What is believed to be the largest Senior Class ever graduated from Omaha University will depart in June. And to lend a helping hand through the treacherous final semester, four new Senior Class sponsors have been named.

Two department heads, an acting department head and the Director of General Printing and Information comprise the "brain-trust" quartet.

Seniors can get consoling advice from Dr. L. N. Garlough, head of the Science Department; Roderic B. Crane, head of the Economics Department; Dr. Ralph Wardle, acting head of the English Department, and Robert L. Mossholder, the information director.

On Jan. 15, 90 per cent of the seniors held their first organiza-

Want a diamond? Register for home management class

By Lois Brady

Statisticians have done everything but introduce women to their prospective husbands by discovering the habitat of the free male, his geographical distribution, his susceptibility and chances for meeting and marrying him. They have even predicted that six to eight million marriageable women will remain single because of the male shortage. In cold figures—one in seven will live alone.

These facts have led American colleges to go all out in helping the female hold her own in the race for eligible bachelors. And the girls seem to realize that if they get a man, they are going to have to learn to keep him. This is undoubtedly the reason they are signing up for home economics classes "en masse."

At Omaha University, the home management class doors are bulging with a record enrollment of 60 this semester. And no wonder, when Miss Margaret Killian, head of the Home Economics Department, announced "over 20 per cent of last semester's class were sporting diamonds by the time January came around."

There you have it, either by cause or effect.

"What girls should know"

The course is designed to include "what every young girl should know about being a housewife."

Students learn building and decorating problems, how to buy the best equipment, products and materials. The tactful way of getting rid of the Fuller brush man is also included.

The little woman must know how to balance the budget, pay insurance and take care of an over-drawn bank account.

Make definite selections

Miss Killian explained that most of the girls make definite selections by the end of the semester as to their china, silver and crystal, whether they want carpeting or rugs, venetian blinds or shades because the quality and price have all been mentioned throughout the lectures.

"Never have I seen such a large group of women so quiet during 50 minutes as during a home management class. The attention is wonderful," observed Miss Killian.

"If I am any judge of this semester's class, 50 per cent will be engaged before spring. If that happens, I believe I will change the name to 'matrimonial course 111.'

Spring thaw in winter foils Independent skate

Omaha's perpetually inconsistent weather brought spring in mid-winter to interfere with the Independent's ice skating party Jan. 25 at Benson Park.

The abnormal temperature found the ice more liquid than solid, so skates were exchanged for nickels to feed the juke box in the pavilion.

Mr. Nelson, of the Business Administration department, forgot accounting and statistics long enough to give calls for the featured square dance, and fellows found themselves tangled in "swing your partner," and "promenade all" instead of gal's skate laces.

tional meeting. Banquet plans were discussed, and Neil Walker, class president, urged all seniors who expect to receive their degrees either in June or August to apply for them at the Registrar's Office as soon as possible.

Other class officers are Bob Dymacek, vice president, and Betty Wear, secretary-treasurer.

Men always make passes at girls who drain glasses.

SCHOLAR SKETCH

Sherman Lower

Although he has no outstanding physical characteristics to distinguish him from a thousand other men, Sherman Lower is far above average when it comes to activities. Sophomore Sherman's major interest is singing, and he speaks of hoping to be an operatic tenor in the far future. At the present he is writing all over the country



Sherman K. Lower
—Photo by F. Alec Phillips.

the floor upsetting paint buckets, which not only splattered the new scenery, but also freckled the crew members.

Talking enthusiastically with hand gestures and technical language, Sherman explained the back stage lay-out with such words as "risers," "weights," "braces," "pulleys" and other words that had to be translated to the layman's language.

"I also dabble a bit in ornithology," he added with hesitation. Ornithology, he explained, is the study of birds, and he is adding to his collection of pictures of bird life.

Sherman talks vehemently against requisitions and red tape. These, he says, are his pet peeves.

One more of Sherman's favorite pastimes is playing cards with the boys until all hours of the morning.

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AS A MAN SOWETH . . .

A SHORT STORY
By James Oglesby

The execution room of the state penitentiary was hot and poorly ventilated. The stuffy air was heavy with tension. Arty Robinson, reporter for the tribune, loosened his necktie and fidgeted nervously. For the thousandth time since he had come in he wished for a drink.

He was conscious of the sympathetic smiles of the other newspapermen around the room. Okay, okay, let them think he was a little squeamish. He didn't care. They'd never know the truth, anyway. Only two men in the world knew the truth, and in a couple of minutes one of those two was going to die. Yes, in a couple of minutes it would all be over, and his mind would be free from that gnawing fear that had plagued him for the past three months. Free to live and think as a human being once more, without having to swallow his heart every time a cop glanced at him.

He looked at his watch and cursed under his breath. Would they never get it over with? It seemed hours since he had come into the room, and his nerves were getting worse all the time. Could it be that they had managed to contact the Governor? No, of course not. He must stop worrying about that. The evidence had all been sufficiently damning to satisfy even the most skeptical. At any rate, nothing could be done at this late date. Of that he was certain.

Arty glanced around at the other men. If they only knew! To them this was just another execution. Just another routine job. What a story the truth would make! Well, they weren't going to know the truth. No one would ever know. No one could ever suspect.

He reached for a cigarette and swore softly as he remembered the no smoking rule. Damn the luck, anyway! But for the regular reporter having an appendicitis attack he wouldn't have to be here going through this. "A break," the night editor had called it, "a chance to show his stuff!" A break! That was a hot one. Since when was it a break to watch an innocent man die?

Well, he was here and he might as well stick it out. He'd never be able to explain leaving now. If they'd only get it over with! He caught his breath. The door was opening. Was it—yes, it was. He bent over and toyed with his shoestring. It would never do to be recognized now! But he needn't have had any fears on that score. The condemned man was walking as if in a dream, staring vacantly ahead with unseeing eyes . . .

They were adjusting the hood when Arty finally straightened up, his face flushed from holding his head down so long. His throat was dry, and his chest felt encased in iron bands. It was just a matter of seconds now. Just the flip of a switch and he would be safe.

The palms of his hands were wet, and he could feel the sweat from his armpits trickle down his sides. He tried vainly to tear his eyes away, but they were glued to the hooded figure in front of him. The room seemed stifling. He began to get dizzy. He couldn't let them go through with it. But he had to let them! What was this? He felt himself rising, his lips forming words. He was going to tell! No! No! He couldn't. They'd put him in that chair. Put that horrible hood over his head. He didn't want to die!

A razor-edged pain slashed at his chest as a hoarse scream ripped from his parched throat. He saw the floor coming up to meet him, but he never felt it.

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It was 3 a.m. and a couple of reporters were standing at the bar in Tony's place, a little all-night

joint just off 3rd Avenue. They had been silent for some time when one tossed off his drink with an air of finality: "Yeah, Bill, I've seen a lot of funny things in my time, but damned if I've ever seen a condemned murderer get a last minute reprieve and an innocent bystander die of a heart attack at the same time. Guess there ain't no justice."

Membership drive for Independents

The Independents have announced Feb. 11 and 12 as the dates for their second semester enrollment drive.

All students not affiliated with other organizations are invited to join.

Students may sign up in the Pow Wow Inn on the dates mentioned above. A \$1.00 enrollment fee will be charged.

Any student carrying 12 hours or more is eligible.

According to President Neal Walker an extensive activities program has been planned for this semester, including a picnic and a dance.

Strictly from students

(Continued from Page Two) to school you don't have enough time to make enough money outside."

Russ Gorman: "Yes, for fellows out of town because it costs them more to live away from home."

Dick Maher: "Yes, with prices as they are, a person has a hard time getting along on the \$65."

Harold Clark: "Yes, because the amount you get now is just about enough for cigarettes."

David Chorney: "Yes, you just can't support a wife on \$90 a month—especially with the rent taking half that amount."

Stanley Strauss: "I believe single men should get \$90 and married men, \$120."

Don Johnson: "There are just too many things that have to be done that \$65 does not take care of."

Lyle Heimbuch: "Yes, \$90 hardly takes care of a week's living. No married man likes to see his wife working."

Donald B. Johnson: "It would appear more logical to raise veteran qualifications and expand the G.I. program to include all civilians who can meet these same qualifications. Federal support of education is logical only when it aims toward the betterment of the general lot."

Wesley Springer: (Non-veteran) "Balancing the budget on the present subsistence pay would be quite a job, especially for veterans living away from home."

Ray Dowling: "I'm not in favor of any increase. Education on a college level should be free to everyone who desires to take advantage of it."

Bob Anderson: "Considering present prices it's difficult for any veteran boarding at a college in another state to make ends meet. However, a veteran living in Omaha and attending school here shouldn't expect more than the present subsistence."

Lawrence David: "I believe subsistence should be increased for married vets because of the high cost of living."

Jack Spaulding: (Non-veteran)

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George Liebers: "It's plenty now."

Gene Pickett: "Absolutely! It should be increased by \$20 at least."

Total books in Veterans Administration general and medical libraries rose to nearly three quarters of a million volumes on Nov. 1.

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